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Introduction and Reference

By the Finance & Tax Council; Representative Bogdanoff—

HB 7215—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property taxation; amending s. 193.1554, F.S.; specifying an additional type of transfer under which no change of ownership of nonhomestead residential property occurs; amending s. 193.1555, F.S.; specifying an additional type of transfer under which no change of ownership of nonresidential property occurs; amending s. 193.1556, F.S.; providing that a recorded deed or other instrument serves as notice of a change of ownership; requiring the Department of Revenue to provide a form by which a property owner may notify a property appraiser of a change of ownership; specifying a form requirement; amending s. 193.461, F.S.; specifying application of a methodology for assessing certain agricultural improvements, structures, or equipment located on agricultural land and used for specified purposes; amending s. 196.061, F.S.; revising criteria for rental of a homestead as constituting abandonment of the homestead; providing a definition; amending s. 196.1995, F.S.; expanding the authority of the governing body of a county or municipality to renew economic development ad valorem tax exemptions for multiple 10-year periods upon approval by referendum for each renewal; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By Representative Ambler-

HR 9093—A resolution recognizing the outstanding lifetime service of Major General Douglas Burnett, Adjutant General of Florida.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By Representative Fetterman—

HR 9095—A resolution recognizing the week of February 6-12, 2011, as "Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week" in the State of Florida.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By Representative Carroll-

HR 9097—A resolution recognizing 2011 as the "Centennial Year of U.S. Naval Aviation."

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By Representative Porth-

HR 9099—A resolution recognizing April 19, 2010, as "Florida Wing, Civil Air Patrol Day" in the State of Florida.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

First Reading of Council and Committee Substitutes by Publication

By the Finance & Tax Council; and Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy Committee; Representatives Legg and Nehr—

CS/CS/HB 159-A bill to be entitled An act relating to guaranty associations; amending s. 631.52, F.S.; expanding an exemption from the applicability of certain provisions of state law to include workers' compensation claims under employer liability coverage; amending s. 631.54, F.S.; conforming the definition of "account" to changes made by the act; amending s. 631.55, F.S.; revising the separate accounts of the association; amending s. 631.57, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing a legislative finding and declaration; authorizing insurers to recoup certain assessments levied by the Office of Insurance Regulation by applying certain recoupment factors; deleting provisions relating to classification and payment of emergency assessments; providing guidelines and a methodology for the calculation of recoupment factors for recouping certain assessments; authorizing an insurer to apply a recalculated recoupment factor under certain conditions; providing for the return of excess assessments and recoupment charges; providing that amounts recouped are not premium and not subject to premium taxes, fees, or commissions; requiring that insurers treat failure to pay a recoupment charge as failure to pay the premium; requiring that an insurer file with the office a statement containing certain information within a specified period before applying a recoupment factor to any policies; authorizing an insurer to use a recoupment factor after the expiration of such period; providing that an insurer need submit only one such statement for all lines of business; requiring that an insurer file with the office an accounting report containing certain information within a specified period after the completion of the recoupment process; providing that an insurer need submit only one such report for all lines of business; amending s. 631.713, F.S.; expanding the application of certain provisions of state law to certain residents of other states who own certain insurance policies; expanding the list of contracts and policies to which life and health insurance guaranty of payments provisions do not apply; providing for application to coverage under certain structured settlement annuities under certain circumstances; amending s. 631.714, F.S.; revising certain definitions; amending s. 631.717, F.S.; revising a guaranty association's aggregate liability for life insurance and deferred annuity contracts; authorizing an association to issue alternative policies or contracts to certain policies or contracts under certain circumstances; subjecting such alternative policies or contracts to specified requirements; creating s. 631.7295, F.S.; authorizing an association to succeed to the rights of an insolvent insurer arising after an order of liquidation or rehabilitation with regard to certain contracts of reinsurance; requiring that such an association pay all unpaid premiums due under the

contract; amending s. 631.735, F.S.; specifying that certain advertisement prohibitions do not prohibit the furnishing of certain written information in a form prepared by an association upon request; amending s. 631.904, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "covered claim"; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Finance & Tax Council; and Energy & Utilities Policy Committee; Representative Gibbons—

CS/CS/HB 163—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prepaid wireless telecommunications service; amending s. 365.172, F.S.; removing provisions for a study of the feasibility of collecting an E911 fee on the sale of prepaid wireless telecommunications service; providing for assessment or collection of the fee after a certain date; amending s. 365.173, F.S.; revising a limitation on the amount of funds received by a county from the E911 fee which may be carried forward to the following year; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Government Operations Appropriations Committee; and Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy Committee; Representatives Hudson and Burgin—

CS/CS/HB 311—A bill to be entitled An act relating to debt relief services; providing a directive to the Division of Statutory Revision; creating s. 559.101, F.S.; providing a short title; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 817.801, F.S.; revising definitions relating to debt relief services; creating s. 559.103, F.S.; providing the powers of the Office of Financial Regulation; creating s. 559.104, F.S.; authorizing the Financial Services Commission to adopt rules; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 817.803, F.S.; revising provisions relating to who is not subject to the Debt Relief Services Act; providing an exception for attorneys representing clients; creating s. 559.106, F.S.; requiring debt relief organizations to be registered with the office; providing a registration fee; requiring background screening of applicants and control persons; providing grounds for registration issuance or denial; requiring annual renewal; creating s. 559.107, F.S.; requiring registration renewal; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 817.804, F.S.; requiring a debt relief organization to obtain a surety bond and to provide proof of such bond to the office; creating s. 559.109, F.S.; requiring a debt relief organization to maintain records; creating s. 559.111, F.S.; requiring a debt relief organization to prepare a financial analysis for the debtor; providing for service contracts; requiring certain provisions to be included in such contracts; requiring the debt relief organization to provide the debtor with copies of all signed documents; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 817.805, F.S.; conforming terms to changes made by the act; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 817.802, F.S.; prohibiting a debt relief organization from engaging in certain additional specified acts; deleting a provision that allows the organization to collect a fee for insufficient fund transactions; creating s. 559.114, F.S.; providing for debtor complaints to the office; providing procedures and office duties, including administrative penalties; creating s. 559.115, F.S.; providing for the issuance of subpoenas by the office; creating s. 559.116, F.S.; authorizing the office to issue cease and desist orders; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 817.806, F.S.; conforming terms to changes made by the act; providing administrative penalties; specifying violations that result in criminal penalties; repealing ss. 559.10, 559.11, 559.12, and 559.13, F.S., relating to obsolete provisions concerning budget planning; amending s. 516.07, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an appropriation and authorizing additional positions; providing effective dates.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development; and Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy Committee; Representatives Burgin and Sachs—

CS/CS/HB 633—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human trafficking; creating s. 480.0535, F.S.; specifying documents that must be possessed by each person providing or offering to provide massage services in certain circumstances; requiring presentation of such documents upon request of a law enforcement officer; requiring operators of massage establishments to maintain valid work authorization documents on the premises for each employee who is not a United States citizen; requiring presentation of such documents upon request of a law enforcement officer; prohibiting a person from providing or offering to provide massage services without possession of a license and specified documentation; prohibiting the use of a massage establishment license for the purpose of lewdness, assignation, or prostitution; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council; Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development; and Military & Local Affairs Policy Committee; Representatives Aubuchon, Abruzzo, Bovo, Carroll, Mayfield, Nehr, Planas, A. Williams, T. Williams, and Zapata—

CS/CS/CS/HB 665—A bill to be entitled An act relating to affordable housing; amending s. 20.055, F.S.; revising the definition of "state agency" to include the Florida Housing Finance Corporation; revising the definition of "agency head" to include the board of directors of the corporation; requiring the inspector general to prepare an annual report; amending s. 159.608, F.S.; providing a housing finance authority with an additional purpose for which it may exercise its power to borrow; amending s. 163.3177, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the elements of local comprehensive plans to include an element for affordable housing for certain seniors; providing for the disposition of real property by a local government for the development of affordable housing; amending s. 201.15, F.S.; revising the allocation of certain proceeds distributed from the excise tax on documents that are paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the State Housing Trust Fund; providing for retroactive repeal of s. 8, ch. 2009-131, Laws of Florida, to eliminate a conflicting version of s. 201.15, F.S.; amending s. 420.0003, F.S.; including the needs of persons with special needs in the state housing strategy's periodic review and report; amending s. 420.0004, F.S.; defining the terms "disabling condition" and "person with special needs"; conforming cross-references; amending s. 420.0006, F.S.; removing an obsolete reference; deleting provisions requiring the inspector general of the Department of Community Affairs to perform functions for the corporation to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 420.504, F.S.; authorizing the Secretary of Community Affairs to designate a senior-level agency employee to serve on the board of directors of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation; amending s. 420.506, F.S.; providing for the appointment of an inspector general of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation; providing appointing authority thereof; providing duties and responsibilities of the inspector general; amending s. 420.507, F.S.; requiring certain rates of interest to be made available to sponsors of projects for persons with special needs; providing additional powers of the corporation relating to receipt of federal funds; revising powers of the corporation relating to criteria establishing a preference for eligible developers and general contractors; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 420.5087, F.S.; limiting the reservation of funds within each notice of fund availability to the persons with special needs tenant group; including persons with special needs as a tenant group for specified purposes of the State Apartment Incentive Loan Program; revising and providing criteria to be used by a specified review committee for the competitive ranking of applications for such program; conforming a crossreference; amending ss. 163.31771, 212.08, 215.5586, and 420.503, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing legislative intent; prohibiting funds from the State Housing Trust Fund or the Local Government Housing Trust Fund that are appropriated for specified programs from being used for certain purposes; providing for future repeal; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Finance & Tax Council; Representatives Boyd and Bembry—

CS/HB 843—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rural enterprise zones; requiring the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to designate certain rural catalyst sites as rural enterprise zones upon request of a host county; specifying request requirements; specifying effect of designation; specifying reporting requirements for rural catalyst sites designated as a rural enterprise zone; authorizing host county development authorities to enter into memoranda of agreement for certain purposes; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development; and Economic Development Policy Committee; Representatives Ray, Adkins, Ambler, Carroll, Dorworth, Fresen, McBurney, Reagan, Wood, and Zapata—

CS/CS/HB 963—A bill to be entitled An act relating to seaports; creating s. 373.4133, F.S.; providing legislative findings; providing for port conceptual permits; providing which ports may apply for a port conceptual permit; authorizing a private entity that has adjacent property to apply for a permit; specifying the length of time for which permit may be issued; providing that a permit is a conceptual certification of compliance with state water quality standards and a conceptual determination of consistency with the state coastal zone management program; providing for permit applications and application requirements; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to effect a certain balance between the benefits of the facility and the environment; providing that a permit provides certain assurances with respect to construction permits if certain requirements are met; providing for advance mitigation; providing that approval of certain submerged lands authorization by the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund constitutes the delegation of authority to the department for final agency action; providing an exception; providing procedures for the approval or denial of an application; providing for administrative challenges; authorizing the department and the board to issue certain permits and authorizations before certain actions are taken under the Endangered Species Act; authorizing certain alternative stormwater treatment and design criteria; providing requirements for proposing such criteria; authorizing the department and the board to adopt rules; providing for implementation; amending s. 311.07, F.S.; revising matching-fund requirements for projects to rehabilitate wharves, docks, berths, bulkheads, or similar structures; amending s. 311.09, F.S.; requiring the Department of Transportation to include certain projects' funding allocations in its legislative budget request and to submit specified work program amendments within a certain timeframe; providing for the transfer of unexpended balances between seaport projects; amending s. 403.061, F.S.; removing the requirement to enter into a memorandum of agreement with the Florida Ports Council from the authority granted to the Department of Environmental Protection to provide supplemental permitting processes for the issuance of certain permits; amending s. 403.813, F.S.; revising requirements relating to maintenance dredging at seaports; expanding the parameters for mixing zones and return-water discharges; prohibiting mixing zones from entering wetland communities; increasing the time allowance for maintenance dredging following a storm event; amending ss. 161.055 and 253.002, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; authorizing seaports to enter into public-private agreements for portrelated public infrastructure projects; providing effective dates.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Policy Council; and Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy Committee; Representative Rivera—

CS/CS/HB 1277—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sellers of travel; amending s. 559.935, F.S.; providing that exemptions to pt. XI of ch. 559, F.S., the Florida Sellers of Travel Act, do not apply to sellers of travel offering or selling prearranged travel, tourist-related services, or tour-guide services to any person traveling directly from Florida to a terrorist nation; providing a definition; providing for retroactive and prospective application of the act; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Finance & Tax Council; Representative Schultz—

CS/HB 1387—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ad valorem tax assessments; amending s. 194.011, F.S.; providing that participation in an informal conference is not a prerequisite to administrative or judicial review of property assessments; requiring that a petition before the value adjustment board challenging an ad valorem assessment contain certain information relating to the property and the petitioner; prohibiting the value adjustment board from extending certain deadlines under certain circumstances: requiring that persons representing property owners before the value adjustment board for compensation be licensed brokers, appraisers, or attorneys; amending s. 194.013, F.S.; revising certain parcel petition filing fees; amending s. 194.015, F.S.; providing an exception to a prohibition against board meetings without counsel being present; amending s. 194.032, F.S.; authorizing rescheduling of board hearings; providing an exception; deleting certain procedural requirements relating to petitioners being heard by the board; amending s. 194.034, F.S.; revising certain hearing procedures; amending s. 194.035, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Revenue to provide certain special magistrate training online; amending s. 194.037, F.S.; revising requirements for disclosure of tax impact notice forms; providing additional notice requirements for clerks; requiring the department to compile a report on the information received from the clerks and post it on its website; amending s. 195.096, F.S.; requiring the department to include proceedings of value adjustment boards in certain in-depth reviews; amending s. 192.0105, F.S.; conforming references; authorizing the executive director of the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing for effect and renewal of such rules; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Finance & Tax Council; and Economic Development Policy Committee; Representatives Crisafulli, Ambler, Burgin, Chestnut, Culp, Homan, Kreegel, Nehr, Planas, Porth, Tobia, and Zapata—

CS/CS/HB 1389—A bill to be entitled An act relating to space and aerospace infrastructure; providing a short title; amending s. 288.1088, F.S.; providing legislative findings; authorizing the use of a specified amount of resources for projects to retain or create high-technology jobs directly associated with developing a more diverse aerospace economy in the state; authorizing Enterprise Florida, Inc., to waive eligibility criteria for projects receiving funds from the Quick Action Closing Fund which would mitigate the impact of the conclusion of the space shuttle program; revising authorized uses of specified Space Florida appropriations; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Finance & Tax Council; and Energy & Utilities Policy Committee; Representative Precourt—

CS/HB 7179—A bill to be entitled An act relating to qualifying improvements to real property; creating s. 163.08, F.S.; providing legislative purposes and findings and intent; providing definitions; authorizing a local government to levy non-ad valorem assessments to fund certain improvements; authorizing a property owner to apply for funding and enter

into a financing agreement with a local government to finance certain improvements; authorizing a local government to collect moneys for such purposes through non-ad valorem assessments; providing collection requirements; authorizing local governments to partner with other local governments to provide and finance certain improvements; authorizing a qualifying improvement program to be administered by a for-profit entity or not-for-profit organization under certain circumstances; authorizing a local government to incur debt payable from revenues received from the improved property; providing a financing restriction for local governments; requiring a financial agreement to be recorded in a county's public records within 5 days after execution of the agreement; specifying responsibilities for local governments before entering into financing agreements; requiring qualifying improvements to be affixed to a building or facility on the property and be performed by a properly certified or registered contractor; excluding certain projects from financing agreement coverage; limiting the amount of the nonad valorem assessment to a percentage of the just value of the property; providing exceptions; specifying information provision requirements for property owners before entering into financing agreements; prohibiting acceleration of a mortgage under certain circumstances; providing assessment disclosure requirements; specifying unenforceability of certain agreement provisions; providing construction preserving a local government's home rule authority; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development; and Governmental Affairs Policy Committee; Representatives Schenck and Holder—

CS/HB 7205—A bill to be entitled An act relating to professional sports franchises; amending ss. 14.2015, 212.20, and 218.64, F.S., relating to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development, the distribution of certain tax proceeds, and the allocation of a portion of the local government half-cent sales tax; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; amending s. 288.1162, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the certification and funding of facilities for spring training baseball franchises; authorizing the Auditor General to conduct audits to verify whether certain funds for professional sports franchises are used as required by law; requiring the Auditor General to notify the Department of Revenue if the funds are not used as required by law; creating s. 288.11621, F.S.; authorizing certain units of local government and private entities to apply for certification to receive state funding for a facility for a spring training franchise; providing definitions; providing eligibility requirements; providing criteria to competitively evaluate applications for certification; requiring a certified applicant to use the funds awarded for specified public purposes and place unexpended funds in a trust fund or separate account; authorizing a certified applicant to request a suspension of the distribution of funds for a specified period under certain circumstances; requiring the expenditure of funds by certain certified applicants within a specified period; requiring the completion of certain spring training facility projects within a specified period; requiring certified applicants to submit annual reports to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development; requiring a contract for receipt of funds by certified applicants that are private entities; providing contract requirements; requiring the office to decertify applicants under certain circumstances; providing for delay in decertification proceedings for local governments certified before a specified date under certain circumstances; providing for review of the office's notice of intent to decertify an applicant; requiring an applicant to repay unencumbered state funds and interest after decertification; requiring the office to develop a strategic plan relating to baseball spring training activities; requiring the office to adopt rules; authorizing the Auditor General to conduct audits to verify whether certified funds for baseball spring training facilities are used as required by law; requiring the Auditor General to notify the Department of Revenue if the funds are not used as required by law; amending s. 288.1229, F.S.; providing that the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may authorize a direct-support organization to assist in the retention of professional sports franchises; recognizing the validity of specified agreements under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development; and Energy & Utilities Policy Committee; Representative Precourt—

CS/HB 7209—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reorganization of the Public Service Commission; amending s. 20.121, F.S.; establishing the Office of Regulatory Staff within the Financial Services Commission; requiring the executive director of the Office of Regulatory Staff to meet specified requirements; providing that the executive director's appointment is subject to Senate confirmation; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; revising provisions for disposition of ethics complaints against the Public Counsel and employees of the Public Counsel; amending s. 186.801, F.S.; directing the commission to request assistance from the Office of Regulatory Staff to make a preliminary study of certain site plans submitted to the commission by electric utilities; amending s. 350.001, F.S.; revising legislative intent; amending s. 350.011, F.S.; prohibiting certain acts by commissioners and commission staff; repealing s. 350.012, F.S., relating to the creation and organization of the Committee on Public Counsel Oversight; amending s. 350.031, F.S.; revising requirements for nomination by the Public Service Commission Nominating Council for appointment to the commission; creating s. 350.035, F.S.; prohibiting attempts by certain persons to sway the judgment of commissioners; providing for the Commission on Ethics to investigate complaints of violations pursuant to specified procedures; amending s. 350.04, F.S.; providing requirements for nomination by the Public Service Commission Nominating Council for appointment to the commission; requiring commissioners to complete a course of study developed by the executive director and general counsel of the Office of Regulatory Staff; requiring commissioners to complete continuing education; providing training requirements for commissioners and commission employees; requiring certifications of compliance to be provided to the Legislature; amending s. 350.041, F.S.; revising legislative intent; revising standards of conduct for commissioners; revising provisions for investigation and reports by the Commission on Ethics of alleged violations; authorizing commission employees and the executive director of the Office of Regulatory Staff to request opinions from the Commission on Ethics; amending s. 350.042, F.S.; revising provisions for communications concerning agency action proceedings and proceedings under specified provisions; providing for application of such provisions to commission employees; revising restrictions on such communications by commissioners and commission employees; defining the term "ex parte communication"; providing a civil penalty; amending s. 350.06, F.S.; revising provisions for the offices of the commission, payment of moneys, and employment of personnel; amending s. 350.0605, F.S.; restricting employment of a former executive director or former employee of the Office of Regulatory Staff; amending s. 350.061, F.S.; providing for appointment of the Public Counsel by, and service of the Public Counsel at the pleasure of, the Attorney General; amending ss. 350.0613 and 350.0614, F.S.; providing powers and duties of the Attorney General regarding the Public Counsel and his or her employees to conform provisions to the transfer of the Public Counsel; transferring the Office of Public Counsel from the legislative branch to the Office of the Attorney General; creating s. 350.071, F.S.; creating the Office of Regulatory Staff within the Financial Services Commission; providing for the office to be considered a party of record in all proceedings before the Public Service Commission; requiring the commission to notify the office of certain proceedings; providing purpose of the office; defining the term "public interest"; providing that the office is subject to certain provisions governing ex parte communications; creating s. 350.072, F.S.; providing for an executive director and employees of the office; providing duties and responsibilities of the executive director; providing for submission of a budget to the Financial Services Commission; providing for the location, internal administration, and operation of the office; creating s. 350.073, F.S.; providing for appointment, term, qualifications, and salary of the executive

director of the office; providing for application of specified provisions for standards of conduct; creating s. 350.074, F.S.; providing duties of the office; authorizing the office to intervene in certain proceedings; requiring the office to provide an annual report to the Legislature; directing the commission and the office to establish procedures by which the office may elect not to participate as a party in certain matters; transferring from the commission all powers, duties, functions, records, offices, personnel, property, pending issues, and existing contracts, administrative authority, administrative rules, and unexpended balances of funds not related to the duties and responsibilities of the commission to the office; creating s. 350.075, F.S.; authorizing the office to access certain books and records; amending s. 350.113, F.S.; revising authorized uses of the Florida Public Service Regulatory Trust Fund; amending s. 350.117, F.S.; authorizing the office to require reports; requiring a copy of any report provided to the commission to be provided to the office; authorizing the commission to request that the office perform management and operation audits of any regulated company; repealing s. 350.121, F.S., relating to commission inquiries and the confidentiality of business material; creating s. 350.122, F.S.; requiring persons testifying before the Public Service Commission to disclose certain financial and fiduciary relationships; providing that a determination by the commission that a violation occurred constitutes agency action for which a hearing may be sought; amending s. 364.016, F.S.; authorizing the office to assess a telecommunications company for certain travel costs; amending s. 364.02, F.S.; defining the term "office" as used in provisions relating to telecommunications companies; amending s. 364.15, F.S.; revising provisions authorizing the commission to compel changes to a telecommunications facility; amending s. 364.183, F.S.; providing that the office shall have access to certain records of a telecommunications company and may require a telecommunications company to file records, reports, or other data; specifying limitations on the authority of the commission to access records; providing for the office to maintain confidentiality; amending s. 364.185, F.S.; providing powers of the office to investigate and inspect telecommunications companies; removing such powers from the commission; amending s. 364.335, F.S.; revising the authority of the commission to institute a proceeding to determine whether the grant of a certificate of need concerning construction, operation, or control of a telecommunications facility is in the public interest; amending s. 364.3376, F.S.; providing for the office to conduct certain investigations; amending s. 364.3381, F.S.; revising the authority of the commission to investigate allegations of certain anticompetitive practices; amending s. 364.37, F.S.; revising the authority of the commission to make such order and prescribe such terms and conditions with respect to controversies concerning territory to be served by a telecommunications facility; amending s. 366.02, F.S.; defining the term "office" as used in provisions relating to public utilities; amending s. 366.05, F.S.; authorizing the office to make certain purchases for examinations and testing; providing that the office shall have access to certain records and may require records, reports, or other data; specifying limitations on the authority of the commission to access records; authorizing the office to assess a public utility for certain travel costs; amending ss. 366.06, 366.07, 366.071, and 366.076, F.S.; removing authority of the commission to initiate certain proceedings or take certain actions upon its own motion; amending s. 366.08, F.S.; providing powers of the office to investigate public utilities; removing such powers from the commission; amending s. 366.093, F.S.; providing powers of the office to have access to records; specifying limitations on the authority of the commission to access records; providing for the office to maintain confidentiality; amending s. 366.82, F.S.; revising the authority of the commission to require modifications or additions to a utility's plans and programs; amending s. 367.021, F.S.; defining the term "office" as used in provisions relating to water and wastewater utilities; amending s. 367.045, F.S.; requiring a water or wastewater utility to provide notice to the office when it applies for an initial or amended certificate of authorization; providing for an objection and a request for a public hearing by the office; requiring the commission to give notice of certain actions upon petition of the office; amending s. 367.081, F.S.; revising the authority of the commission to fix rates of water and wastewater utilities or implement changes of such rates; amending s. 367.0814, F.S.; providing for a water or wastewater utility to request and obtain assistance from the office for the purpose of changing its rates and charges; revising the

authority of the commission to authorize interim rates; directing the commission to request from the office any information necessary to complete a status report; amending ss. 367.0817, 367.082, 367.0822, and 367.083, F.S.; revising authority of the commission to initiate certain proceedings or take certain actions upon its own motion; amending s. 367.101, F.S.; providing that the commission shall, upon request, direct the office to investigate agreements or proposals for charges and conditions for service availability and report the results; amending s. 367.121, F.S.; revising powers of the commission; providing powers of the office; amending s. 367.122, F.S.; providing for the office to test meters; amending s. 367.145, F.S.; revising provisions for use of certain regulatory fees; amending s. 367.156, F.S.; providing powers of the office to have access to records; specifying limitations on the authority of the commission to access records; providing for the office to maintain confidentiality; amending s. 367.171, F.S.; revising provisions for jurisdiction of certain cases involving a utility that becomes subject to county regulation; amending s. 368.05, F.S., relating to gas transmission and distribution facilities; prohibiting the commission from initiating proceedings under specified provisions on its own motion; specifying limitations on the authority of the commission to access records; amending s. 368.061, F.S.; revising provisions for compromise of a civil penalty; revising the authority of the commission to initiate injunction proceedings; amending s. 368.103, F.S.; defining the term "office" as used in the "Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline Intrastate Regulatory Act"; amending ss. 368.106 and 368.107, F.S.; revising the authority of the commission to initiate certain proceedings or take certain actions concerning rates; amending s. 368.108, F.S.; providing powers of the office to have access to records; specifying limitations on the authority of the commission to access records; providing for the office to maintain confidentiality; amending s. 368.1085, F.S.; authorizing the office to assess a natural gas transmission company for certain travel costs; removing the authority of the commission to assess such costs; amending s. 368.109, F.S.; revising provisions for use of certain regulatory fees; amending ss. 403.519, 403.537, and 403.9422, F.S., relating to siting of electrical transmission lines; revising authority of the commission to initiate certain proceedings or take certain actions upon its own motion; amending ss. 196.012, 199.183, 212.08, 288.0655, 290.007, 364.602, 489.103, and 624.105, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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Reference

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CS/CS/HB 1033—Referred to the Calendar of the House.

CS/CS/HB 1043—Referred to the Calendar of the House.

CS/CS/HB 1107—Referred to the Calendar of the House.

CS/HB 1129—Referred to the Finance & Tax Council and Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

CS/HB 1209—Referred to the Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

CS/HB 1383—Referred to the Criminal & Civil Justice Policy Council.

CS/HB 1425—Referred to the Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

CS/HB 1467—Referred to the Finance & Tax Council and Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

CS/HB 1473—Referred to the Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

CS/HB 1483—Referred to the Finance & Tax Council and Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

CS/HB 1487—Referred to the Finance & Tax Council and Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

CS/HB 1621—Referred to the Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

CS/HB 1633—Referred to the Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy Committee and Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

CS/HB 7109—Referred to the Calendar of the House.

CS/HB 7165—Referred to the Calendar of the House.

CS/HB 7179—Referred to the General Government Policy Council.

HB 7207—Referred to the Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development.

CS/HB 7209—Referred to the General Government Policy Council.

Cosponsors

CS/HB 107-A. Williams

CS/CS/HB 827—Brisé

Reports of Standing Councils and Committees

Received April 9:

The Government Operations Appropriations Committee reported the following favorably:

CS/HB 107

The above committee substitute was transmitted to the next council or committee of reference, the General Government Policy Council.

The Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development reported the following favorably:

CS/HB 121

The above council substitute was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Policy Council reported the following favorably: CS/HM 191

The above council substitute was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Policy Council reported the following favorably: CS/HM 553

The above council substitute was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council reported the following favorably:

CS/CS/HB 665 with council substitute

The above council substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, CS/CS/HB 665 was laid on the table.

The Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development reported the following favorably:

CS/HB 795

The above committee substitute was transmitted to the next council or committee of reference, the Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

The Policy Council reported the following favorably: CS/HB 845

The above committee substitute was transmitted to the next council or committee of reference, the General Government Policy Council.

The Policy Council reported the following favorably: CS/HB 1075

The above committee substitute was transmitted to the next council or committee of reference, the Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

The Policy Council reported the following favorably: CS/HB 1197

The above council substitute was transmitted to the next council or committee of reference, the Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development.

The Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development reported the following favorably:

CS/HB 1243

The above committee substitute was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development reported the following favorably:

CS/HB 1253

The above committee substitute was transmitted to the next council or committee of reference, the General Government Policy Council.

The Policy Council reported the following favorably: HM 1609

The above memorial was transmitted to the next council or committee of reference, the Rules & Calendar Council.

The Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development reported the following favorably:

HB 7019

The above bill was placed on the Calendar of the House.

Received April 11:

The Finance & Tax Council reported the following favorably:

CS/HB 159 with council substitute

The above council substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, CS/HB 159 was laid on the table.

The Finance & Tax Council reported the following favorably: CS/HB 163 with council substitute

The above council substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, CS/HB 163 was laid on the table.

The Government Operations Appropriations Committee reported the following favorably:

CS/HB 311 with committee substitute

The above committee substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, CS/HB 311 was laid on the table.

The Finance & Tax Council reported the following favorably: HB 579

The above bill was transmitted to the next council or committee of reference, the Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

The Finance & Tax Council reported the following favorably: HB 843 with council substitute

The above council substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, HB 843 was laid on the table.

The Finance & Tax Council reported the following favorably: HB 1065

The above bill was transmitted to the next council or committee of reference, the General Government Policy Council.

The Finance & Tax Council reported the following favorably: HB 1279

The above bill was transmitted to the next council or committee of reference, the Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

The Finance & Tax Council reported the following favorably: HB 1295

The above bill was transmitted to the next council or committee of reference, the Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council.

The Finance & Tax Council reported the following favorably: HB 1387 with council substitute

The above council substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, HB 1387 was laid on the table.

The Finance & Tax Council reported the following favorably: HB 7179 with council substitute

The above council substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, HB 7179 was laid on the table.

Received April 12:

The General Government Policy Council reported the following favorably:

CS/HB 357

The above committee substitute was placed on the Calendar of the House

The General Government Policy Council reported the following favorably:

HB 629

The above bill was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development reported the following favorably:

CS/HB 633 with council substitute

The above council substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, CS/HB 633 was laid on the table

The General Government Policy Council reported the following favorably:

HB 661

The above bill was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development reported the following favorably:

CS/HB 963 with council substitute

The above council substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, CS/HB 963 was laid on the table.

The General Government Policy Council reported the following favorably:

CS/HB 1003

The above committee substitute was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The General Government Policy Council reported the following favorably:

HB 1147

The above bill was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Policy Council reported the following favorably: CS/HB 1277 with council substitute

The above council substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, CS/HB 1277 was laid on the table.

The Finance & Tax Council reported the following favorably: CS/HB 1389 with council substitute

The above council substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, CS/HB 1389 was laid on the table.

The General Government Policy Council reported the following favorably:

HB 7191

The above bill was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development reported the following favorably:

HB 7205 with council substitute

The above council substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, HB 7205 was laid on the table.

The Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development reported the following favorably:

HB 7209 with council substitute

The above council substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.20. Under the rule, HB 7209 was laid on the table.

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